Application No. 09/621,830

REMARKS

Attached hereto is a marked up version of the changes made to the specification and claims

by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version With Markings to Show

Changes Made."

The claim amendments require no additional search or examination, and the claims as

amended are patentable for the same reasons as the independent claims from which they depend.

The amendment is requested to further clarify potential ambiguity in the claims. The claims have

not been earlier amended as the need for the amendments was not appreciated when the Amendment

and Response was filed. Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account

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Accordingly, Applicant believes that the requirements of 37CFR§1.312 and MPEP§714.16

have been satisfied and entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 22, 24, 35, and 37 have been amended as follows:

- 22. (Once Amended) The article of Claim [18]27, wherein the thermosetting hot melt film is cross-linked.
- 24. (Once Amended) The article of Claim [18]27, wherein the thermosetting hot melt film is applied to a substrate and the hot melt film preformed before application to the flock and substrate.
- 35. (Once Amended) The flocked transfer assembly of Claim 26, wherein the flock comprises a plurality of flock fibers, the release agent and release film are located on a first surface of the flock, and the free and first surfaces are defined, respectively, by opposing ends of the flock fibers [and the thermosetting hot melt adhesive is positioned on a second surface of the flock and the first and second surfaces are in an opposing relationship].
- 37. (Once Amended) The flocked transfer assembly of Claim 33, wherein the hot melt adhesive is in the form of a film and is cut, before application to the flock, to correspond to a shape of the flocked transfer assembly.